

In the matter of

**Amendment of the 47 CFR Part 97
Amateur Radio Service and/or
Amendment of the 47 CFR Part 95
Subpart B Family Radio Service
To Permit Non-Amateur Non-United States
Resident Foreign Nationals Access to the
446.0 - 446.1 MHz Band**

be permitted in the United States, which could cause harmful interference to other radio services, outside of Amateur Radio.

I feel that the problem can be better controlled by educating foreign visitors to leave their radios at home, as well as additional training of U. S. Customs agents to be able to better identify PMR446 equipment being illegally imported into the United States. If PMR446 radios could be imported into the US without type acceptance registration, what prevents other foreign manufacturers from importing similar products that operate on other licensable frequencies?

II. THIS PROPOSAL SHOULD BE DENIED AS A MATTER OF NATIONAL SECURITY.

To echo comments made by others on this matter, I would also respectfully remind the Commission in considering this proposal, that US Amateurs share the 420 - 450 MHz spectrum with the US Military as secondary users. As licensed Amateur Radio Service operators, we all know and understand what that means. Should for whatever reason the United States military need the sole use of this spectrum for a period of time, there are mechanisms in place to get the word out to Amateur Radio Service operators of this fact. That would not be the case with these unlicensed foreign nationals. At a time where the United States is already at war in Afghanistan and the invasion of Iraq being imminent, it is highly questionable why the Commission would allow such use of radios in this spectrum in any case. Any opportunity for foreign nationals to legally operate radios on

discrete frequencies used by the United States military is a violation of national security, and should be treated as such.

III. CONCLUSION

Based on the harmful interference that would be caused to the Amateur Radio Service and as a matter of United States national security, I urge the Commission to **DENY** this petition without further review.

Respectfully submitted,

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